



**Community Care Licensing Division
Quality Assurance, Advocacy and Technical Support Bureau**

**Foster Family Home
Most Common Deficiencies for All Visits in 2017**

This is an analysis of the most common deficiencies cited in 2017 for Foster Family Home (FFH) for all visit types. The Quality Assurance Unit reviewed all 633 deficiencies cited in 2017 all visit types. This list is limited to those deficiencies cited in two percent (2%) or more of the total number of deficiencies cited.

Are you a Foster Family Home licensee looking for assistance to come into compliance with these or other issues? Please contact the Technical Support Program at TechnicalSupportProgram@dss.ca.gov.

This requirement can be found in Title 22 of the California Code of Regulations, Division 6

Most common deficiencies cited when citations were issued for All Visit Types	Regulation Section Title	Regulation Section	This deficiency's percentage of the total deficiencies cited during All Visits
In every situation where children share a bedroom, the Caregiver shall document that the bedroom sharing arrangement ensures the health and safety of each child and that the children are compatible. When considering compatibility, a Caregiver shall consult with children in their care, in an age and developmentally appropriate manner, regarding the child's sexual orientation and gender identity and what information the child wishes to disclose and to whom. A Caregiver shall not disclose information about the child's sexual orientation and/or gender identity against the child's wishes, unless compelled to do so by law or court order. This documentation shall be maintained in the child's record.	Buildings and Grounds	89387(b)	10%
The caregiver is required to complete training as specified in Health and Safety Code section 1529.2, subsection (b).	Training Requirements	89405(a)	10%
Caregivers shall have current training in First Aid and CPR	Training Requirements	89405(b)	6%

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The caregiver shall provide lighting as necessary in all rooms and other areas to ensure comfort and safety in the home.	Buildings and Grounds	89387(n)	4%
Personal rights include the right to be free from corporal or unusual punishment, infliction of pain, humiliation, intimidation, ridicule, coercion, threat, physical, sexual, emotional, mental, or other abuse, or other actions of a punitive nature including but not limited to interference with the daily living functions of eating, sleeping, or toileting, or withholding of shelter, clothing, or aids to physical functioning.	Personal Rights	89372(a)(1)	4%
The caregiver shall maintain copies of unexpired first aid and CPR certificates. These certificates shall be appropriate to the age and needs of a "child."	Training Requirements	89405(b)(2)	4%
Caregivers shall provide care and supervision as necessary to meet each child's needs, and shall be available at all times unless documented in the child's Needs and Services Plan, placement agreement, or Transitional Independent Living Plan (TILP) or agreed to in advance by the licensing agency.	Responsibility for Providing Care and Supervision	89378(a)	3%
Medicines, disinfectants, cleaning solutions, poisons, firearms and other dangerous items shall be stored where inaccessible to children.	Storage Space	89387.2(a)	3%

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Prior to employment, residence or initial presence in a foster family home, all individuals subject to criminal record review, shall be fingerprinted and sign a declaration under penalty of perjury regarding any prior criminal convictions and arrests for any crime against a child, spousal cohabitant abuse, or for any crime for which the Department cannot grant an exemption.	Criminal Record Clearance	89219(e)	2%
Caregivers shall furnish to the licensing/approval agency and the child's authorized representatives' reports as required by the Department.	Reporting Requirements	89361(a)	2%
Waste shall be stored, located, and disposed of in a manner that will not permit the transmission of communicable disease or of odors, create a nuisance, provide a breeding place or food source for insects or rodents.	Buildings and Grounds	89387(p)	2%
Caregivers shall complete training. Courses, seminars, conferences or training topics accepted include: Licensing and placement regulations.	Training Requirements	89405(a)(1)(l)	2%